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SUBJ: LOS: PERUVIAN POSITION ON ECONOMIC ZONE

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1. EMBASSY'S PERCEPTION OF SIGNIFICANT SHIFT IN GOP POSITION ON ECONOMIC ZONE EASY TO UNDERSTAND FROM EXCERPTS OF OUR REPORTING CITED REFTEL A. HOWEVER, FULL PANOPLY OF PERU DEL ACTIVITIES IN THIS SESSION SUGGESTS MAJOR MODIFICATION IN PERUVIAN POSITION IS SWITCH FROM HARD-LINE SUBSTANTIVE CONFRONTATION TO MORE SOPHISTICATED PROCEDURAL DELAYING TACTICS.

2. EXAMPLE OF TIS IN COMMITTEE II HAS BEEN INTER-CONFIDENTIAL

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JECTIONS BY ARIAS SCHREIBER ON CARACAS MAIN TRENDS

PAPER (UP-I) TO POINT OUT DRAFTING DEFICIENCIES IN SOME ALTERNATIVE TEXTS WHICH FAIL TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF POSSIBILITY OF ECONOMIC ZONE BETWEEN TERRITORIAL SEA AND HIGH SEAS. ON SURFACE, THIS WOULD APPEAR TO BE ACCEPTING INEVITABILITY OF 200-MILE ZONE AND REJECTION OF 200-MILE TERRITORIAL SEA. HOWEVER, IN CONTEXT OF CONSISTENT ATTEMPTS BY PERU DEL, TOGETHER WITH SPAIN, TO REVIVE OLD CONTENTIOUS ISSUES WHICH WERE DELIBERATELY ELIMINATED FROM WP-I, SUCH TACTICS SUGGEST DIFFERENT UNDERLYING MOTIVES. ADDITIONALLY, PERU DEL HAS TAKEN VERY HARD LINE IN PUSHING FOR SUCH EXTENSIVE COASTAL STATE CONTROLS THAT ECONOMIC ZONE WOULD NOT BE FUNCTIONALLY VERY DIFFERENT FROM TERRITORIAL SEA.

3. EMBASSY NOW AWARE OF RELATED PROBLEM DESCRIBED REFTEL B (NOTAL).

4. POSSIBILITY EXISTS ACTIVITIES REFERRED TO ABOVE REFLECT MORE PERSONALITIES OF ARIAS-SCHRIEBER AND DESOTO. HEAD OF DELEGATION, AMB BAKULA, DOES NOT DISPLAY SAME TENDENCIES, BUT HE IS NOT NORMALLY IN CHAIR FOR PERU. SOME EVIDENCE EXISTS TO SUGGEST THIS: A. CHANGE IN TACTICS DOES INDICATE CHANGE IN GOP POLICY; B. WE HEARD REPORT DESOTO HAD BEEN TOLD BY BAKULA TO STOP BEING SO OBSTREPEROUS IN C-I; C. INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH ECUADOR REP SUGGESTS THEY BELIEVE GOP HAS ALTERED PREVIOUS COURSE.

5. WE HOPE ABOVE INFORMATION PROVIDES USEFUL INFO FOR ANY ASSISTANCE YOU MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE DURING LAST TWO WEEKS OF SESSION WHICH WILL BE CRITICAL FOR SETTING TONE FOR INTER-SESSIONAL WORK.
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